

India and the multilateral trading system

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16.00-18.00

Silva Casa Auditorium, World Trade Institute, University of Bern
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More Info 

For MILE and TRAIL+ students, this seminar is worth 1.5 ECTS.

Biography of the Speaker

Ujal Singh Bhatia was appointed Member of the Appellate Body of the WTO in November 2011. Prior to that he was India's Ambassador to the WTO between 2004-2010.

Mr. Bhatia joined the Indian Administrative Service in 1974 and served in various capacities in the state of Odisha as well as in the central government in Delhi. He spent two decades in Odisha in various positions, but remembers his 6 years as District Magistrate of 3 districts in succession, most fondly. He retains a great affection for the forests of Odisha, and for those who live in them.

In Delhi, he served in the Commerce Ministry for 5 years, and briefly in the Information and Broadcasting Ministry, before moving to Geneva as Ambassador of India to the WTO.

He has wide experience of trade policy issues at various levels – domestic, bilateral, regional and multilateral, and writes and speaks on trade and development issues frequently. He has published numerous papers and articles in Indian and foreign journals on a range of trade and economic issues.

He is presently the Chairman of the Appellate Body.

Participation is free of charge.